13 (Amended). An article comprising a medium for storing instructions that, if executed, enable a computer to:

when a first application requests video, initialize a video stream using a video server; and

if the first application crashes, maintain access to the video stream for a second application through the video server and shut down a video stack.

Please cancel claim 16.

Please add the following new claims et seq.

26 (New). A method of accessing a video stream comprising:

when a first application requests video, initializing a video stream using a video server; and

if the first application crashes, maintaining access to the video stream for a second application through the video server and shutting down a television capture card.

- 27 (New). The method of claim 26 including directing the server to release the video stack after a crash is detected.
 - 28 (New). A method for accessing video stream comprising:

in response to a request for video from a first application, initializing a video stream using a video server; and

if the first application crashes, maintaining access to the video stream for a second application through the video server and directing the server to release the video stack.

- 29 (New). The method of claim 28 including shutting down the video stack in response to the detection of a crash.
- 30 (New). An article comprising a medium storing instructions that, if executed, enable a computer to:

in response to a request for video from a first application, initialize a video stream using a video server; and

if the first application crashes, maintain access to the video stream for a second application through the video server and shut down a television capture card.

- 31 (New). The article of claim 30 further storing instructions that, if executed, enable the computer to detect when the first application crashes.
- 32 (New). An article comprising a medium storing instructions that, if executed, enable a computer to:

in response to a request for video from a first application, initialize a video stream using a video server;

if the first application crashes, maintain access to the video stream for a second application through the video server; and

operate a first window in the application for accessing the television server and a second window in the server for accessing a video stack.

- 33 (New). The article of claim 32 further storing instructions that, if executed, enable a computer to shut down a video stack when a crash is detected.
- 34 (New). The article of claim 33 further storing instructions that, if executed, enable the computer to shut down a television capture card when a crash is detected.
- 35 (New). The article of claim 32 further storing instructions that, if executed, enable the computer to detect when the first application crashes.

REMARKS

The office action indicates that claims 9-12 and 21-25 are allowed and that claims 4, 5, 7, 16, 17, and 20 are objected to as depending from a claim that has not been allowed. Claim 4 has been placed in independent form as claim 1, claim 5 has been placed in independent form as new claim 26, claim 7 has been placed in independent form as new claim 28. Claim 16 has been